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In re application of:

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Serial No. 09/266,237 Art Unit: 2829

Filing Date: 03/10/1999 Examiner: KOBERT, R.

For: TEST INTERCONNECT AND TEST SYSTEM
FOR BUMPED SEMICONDUCTOR COMPONENTS
(AS AMENDED)

Attorney Docket No. 97-1433

PETITION TO ACCEPT LATE PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE

OCTOBER 11, 2004

Mail Stop Petition
Commissioner For Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant requests acceptance of the issue fee in the above case because the "Notice Of Allowance And Fees Due" mailed 06/08/2004, having a date due of 09/08/2004, was not received by Applicant until 10/07/2004. As grounds for this Petition Stephen A. Gratton, Attorney For Applicant states as follows.

1. A "Supplemental Notice Of Allowability" mailed 09/22/2004 was received by Applicant.

2. On 10/07/2004 Applicant contacted Examiner Koberst stating that the "Supplemental Notice Of Allowability" had

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been received by Applicant, but that a "Notice Of Allowance And Fees Due" had not been received.

3. On 10/07/2004 Examiner Kober faxed to Applicant a copy of the "Notice Of Allowance And Fees Due" mailed 06/08/2004 having a date due of 09/08/2004.

4. Applicant did not receive the original "Notice Of Allowance And Fees Due" mailed 06/08/2004 by the Patent Office.

5. Attached to this Petition are the following documents.

A. Copy of PART B-FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL for application serial no. 09/266,237 having a date due of 09/08/2004.

B. Check #2504 in the amount of \$1524 for the Issue Fee (\$1370) under 37 CFR §1.18(a), printed copies (8) of the issued patent, and for the Petition Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(h). Please deduct any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1857.

C. "Fee Address Indication Form" for application serial no. 09/266,237.

In view of the foregoing Applicant requests that the "Part B-Fee(s) Transmittal", the "Fee Address Indication Form" and the issue fee be accepted and processed.

DATED this 11th day of October, 2004.

Respectfully submitted:

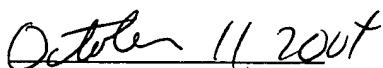


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Date of Signature



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